

Remarks

The parent PCT application includes claims 1-63. By amendment herein, claims 1-63 have been canceled and claims 64-104 have been added.

The new claims present the subject matter of claims 1-63 in form for U.S. prosecution; no new matter has been introduced.

Amendments to Specification

The specification has been amended to include Applicants' claim for foreign priority, to include an Abstract on a separate page, and to include section headings where appropriate.

No new matter has been added. A copy of the amended paragraphs of the specification, with markings showing the changes, is annexed hereto.

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bolding with underlining indicates added text

A. In the specification:

1.) Page 1, the following new paragraphs are added following the title, and prior to original paragraph 1.

-- **Cross Reference to Related Applications**

This application is a continuation of co-pending International Patent Application Number PCT/GB99/03653, filed November 5, 1999, and claims priority from GB Patent Application Number 9824306.6, filed November 5, 1998. The entire disclosures of the prior applications are incorporated herein by reference.

Field of the Invention --

2.) Page 6, paragraph 6 (lines 20-24) is replaced with:

-- In another aspect, the invention provides a method for investigating a mammalian gene, which method comprises generating a test population of dendritic cells from a population of embryonic stem cells and comparing the test dendritic cells in respect of the gene.

Brief Description of the Drawings --

3.) Page 7, paragraph 1 (lines 1-2) is replaced with:

-- Figure 10 shows the generation of esDC stably transfected with GFP following introduction of the transgene into the parent ES cell line.

Detailed Description of the Invention --

4.) Page 25, paragraph 1 (line 1) is replaced with:

-- Claims

We claim: --

5.) A new page 29 (annexed hereto), containing the abstract, is added.

B. In the claims:

- 1.) Claims 1-63 are canceled, without prejudice.
- 2.) New claims 64-104 are added.

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